

# GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AGING

# **Executive Committee**

Meeting Minutes
May 3, 2013
8:30 – 9:30 a.m.
Governor's Office on Aging
Conference Room
1700 W. Washington Street, Suite 101
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

## **Executive Committee Members Present**

C.T. Wright (Chairman), Becky Brimhall-Lepire (Vice-Chairman) Bernadine Hoffman, George Evanoff (Past Chairman) Doyle Meredith (Secretary)

## **Executive Committee Members Absent**

Anne Morrison

## **Council Staff Present**

Cathy De Lisa

# Welcome and Call to Order

Council Chairman C.T. Wright called the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging (GACA) to order at 8:32 am.

## Review of March 8, 2013 Draft Meeting Minutes & Approval

Council Chairman Wright asked the group for approval of the March draft minutes. *Doyle Meredith* made a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting; Bernadine Hoffman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Chair Report**

Council Chairman C.T. Wright began by thanking Ms. Brimhall-Lepire and Mr. Meredith for their assistance with the March 21, 2013 GACA Ice Cream Social at the Senate and stated his appreciation for the participation of all those Council Members able to attend. Council Chairman Wright reported that the GACA agenda for the May 3, 2013 meeting reflected an opportunity for Council members from around the state to share a brief update on what is happening related to aging in their area, as appropriate. Council Chairman Wright also reported that he had been invited and had accepted

invitations to participate in the DES Director's Stakeholders' meeting, the April Indian Council on Aging's conference, and the May 14<sup>th</sup> Maricopa Association of Government's Connecting Caring Communities Aging in Place conference.

## **2013 Senior Action Days Discussion**

Council Chairman Wright asked Executive Director Cathy De Lisa to share information she had been asked to collect related to planning for the 2013 Senior Action Days. Ms. De Lisa circulated a checklist used in the planning of past Council events along with a spreadsheet that provided the details on each of the 2011 Senior Action Day events. Ms. De Lisa stated that upon the Council Chairman's request, she had compared the Office on Aging and Council on Aging calendars of events and meetings and determined that the first two weeks in October would be the best time for the staff to assist with the 2013 events. The Council members discussed holding the events in different locations in October this cycle as suggested by Senate and House leaders as well as potential locations for events. After consideration of potential communities and locations, *Becky Brimhall-Lepire made a motion to have Senior Action Days in 2013; Doyle Meredith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.* Council Chairman C.T. Wright requested that Ms. De Lisa collect information on logistics and provide that information at the July Executive Committee meeting. Copies of the Council's event checklist and the spreadsheet of 2011 Senior Action Days are available for review through the Council on Aging office.

## **Review of By-Laws**

Past Council Chairman, George Evanoff provided a brief summary of his work to review and recommend revisions to the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging's By-Laws. Following a discussion of the technical clean up and revisions, *Becky Brimhall-Lepire made a motion to post the May 2013 proposed updates to the GACA By-Laws on the Council's website following the May Council meetings for review ahead of the July 12, 2013 Council on Aging meeting. Doyle Meredith seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.* A copy of the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging By-Laws May 2013 proposed updates document is available for review through the Council on Aging office.

#### **Office Updates**

Executive Director Cathy De Lisa provided a brief update on the Office on Aging initiatives including the dentist recognition program with the Arizona Dental Foundation, Aging 2020, the A-HA Arizona Healthy Aging Advisory Council, the Arizona Alzheimer's Task Force, and the Steering Committee of the Arizona Fall Prevention Coalition. Ms. De Lisa asked Kim Jennings, Program Specialist to provide updates on the Mature Workforce Initiative as it relates to the Council's Mature Workforce Committee. Ms. De Lisa also provided updates related to cosponsor responsibilities for the Arizona Alzheimer's Consortium conference on May 24<sup>th</sup>, and plans for speakers at the remaining Council meetings. Executive Director De Lisa stated her intent to plan an Open Meeting Law training for the Council members again due to the number of new members and to schedule an update on the State Plan on Aging from the Division of Aging & Adult Services at DES. Ms. De Lisa provided information on the Medicaid Expansion as requested, information on budgeting for the new fiscal year and reasons for the continuation of a frugal tack in operations overall. Following a discussion of potential sponsorships for the 2013 Senior Action Days, Ms. De Lisa agreed to provide a protocol for seeking such sponsorships. Ms. De Lisa reported that requests to the Council/Office on Aging included:

- 1. Request to the Council on Aging and the Office on Aging for sponsorship of the Arizona Senior Center Association conference. (The invitation was declined based on limited funding as evidenced by the Council inability to hold the traditional Governor's Conference on Aging.)
- 2. Request to the Office on Aging for a presentation to the Queen Creek Senior Group.
- 3. Request to the Office on Aging for assistance with promotion of the Arizona Fall Prevention Coalitions Fall Prevention Awareness Day.

The members were asked if electronic updates to the GACA manual were acceptable or if the staff needed to print out hard copies. Based on the responses, Ms. De Lisa agreed to provide both options.

# **Announcements**

None

## **Adjourn**

Council Chairman C.T. Wright adjourned the meeting at 9:43 am.

### **Next Meeting**

The next Executive Committee meeting is planned for July 12, 2013; time and location to be determined and announced by Public Meeting Notice posted at the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging website: <a href="http://www.azgovernor.gov/gaca/">http://www.azgovernor.gov/gaca/</a>. These meetings are open to the public.